

Receipt date: 01/24/2007

PTO/SB/08A (09-08)

Approved for use through 03/31/2007. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449/PTO

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet 1 of 2

### Complete If Known

Application Number	11/564,686
Filing Date	29-Nov-2006
First Named Inventor	Raj B. Durairaj
Art Unit	To be assigned
Examiner Name	To be assigned
Attorney Docket Number	041907-999099

### U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Document Number Number-Kind Code <sup>2</sup> (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
	A1	US- 3,268,467	08-23-1966	The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co.	Rye et al.
	A2	US- 3,431,241	03-04-1969	Koppers Company, Inc.	Moult et al.
	A3	US- 3,433,768	03-18-1969	Schenectady Chemicals, Inc.	Muhlberger et al.
	A4	US- 3,997,592	12-14-1976	E.I. Du Pont de Nemours and Co.	Auldernarch, Jr.
	A5	US- 4,031,288	06-21-1977	The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co.	Bhakuni et al.
	A6	US- 5,296,160	03-22-1994	Millar Inc.	Tirpak et al.
	A7	US- 2,994,671	08-01-1961	E.I. Du Pont de Nemours and Co.	Thompson
	A8	US- 3,226,276	12-28-1965	The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co.	Rye et al.
	A9	US- 3,307,966	03-07-1967	E.I. Du Pont de Nemours and Co.	Shon
	A10	US- 3,933,677	01-20-1976	E.I. Du Pont de Nemours and Co.	Auldernarch et al.
	A11	US- 3,997,592	12-14-1976	E.I. Du Pont de Nemours and Co.	Auldernarch et al.
	A12	US- 4,031,288	06-21-1977	The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co.	Bhakuni et al.
	A13	US- 4,444,845	04-24-1984	Bayer Aktiengesellschaft	Dunwald
	A14	US- 5,470,945	11-28-1995	Battelle Memorial Institute	Markle et al.
	A15	US- 5,624,765	04-29-1997	Toray Industries, Inc.	Tou Kamin et al.
	A16	US- 5,889,125	03-30-1999	Wanover Resins GmbH	Neumann et al.
	A17	US- 6,051,674	04-18-2000	Exxon Chemical Patents, Inc.	Yezrieles et al.
	A18	US- 2003/232915	12-18-2003	Filomeno Gennaro Corvasce et al.	Lorah
	A19	US- 2005/0165192	07-28-2005	Robert K Rosen et al.	

### FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Foreign Patent Document Country Code <sup>3</sup> Number <sup>4</sup> Kind Code <sup>5</sup> (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages Or Relevant Figures Appear	T <sup>6</sup>
	B1	EP 1371 680 A1	12-17-2003	The Goodyear Tire & Rubber		
	B2	GB 1 349 740	04-10-1974	Corish et al.		

Examiner Signature	/Edward Cain/	Date Considered	06/08/2009
--------------------	---------------	-----------------	------------

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. <sup>1</sup> Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). <sup>2</sup> See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at [www.uspto.gov](http://www.uspto.gov) or MPEP 901.04. <sup>3</sup> Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). <sup>4</sup> For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. <sup>5</sup> Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. <sup>6</sup> Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.

ALL REFERENCES CONSIDERED EXCEPT WHERE LINED THROUGH. /EC/

WLL